

12 September 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 12 September 1980

Mr. Carlucci chaired the meeting. []

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McMahon called attention to the following:

--Yesterday's military coup in Turkey. Mr. Carlucci observed there has been little recent reporting which might have pointed to yesterday's event. Kerr commented that reporting on Turkey over the past several months has included, more or less, numerous indicators of a probable coup. He added that analysts generally agree the coup was a reluctant move by General Evren, indeed a last resort. Implications of the coup for NATO were briefly discussed. Lehman added that NIO [] will phone Henze (NSC) and ask what is needed there in terms of intelligence support.

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Clarke reported DIA has recently published an estimate on Soviet oil and energy reserves. He said OER finds the DIA report to be a hodgepodge of error, assumptions, and assertions. He said DIA has been briefing from this report to such policy level officials as the Secretary of Energy (who has offered us equal time). He noted DIA's product is a point of departure from CIA's estimate on the same subject published in 1977. Clarke said he will ask General Tighe why the DIA report was not offered to NFAC for review even as a courtesy, especially when the report is in such contrast to our earlier report. []

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[] reported briefly on the following:

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--Briefings to the Hill on Nicaragua will be part of OLC's regular Monday morning updates for Latimer, O'Neil, LaVoy, et al. In response to Clarke's query, [] said this obviates the need for a written response to Representative Boland's recent letter.

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--The House will act Monday on a continuing resolution because an appropriation bill is not likely to be settled before Congress departs on 3 October.

--A meeting is being scheduled next week for Mr. Carlucci to provide a covert action update to Senators Church and Javitz of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

--Hitz has developed a list of phone calls to be made by the Director to Senators Bayh, Byrd, Biden, Heflin, and others urging their support of Identities Legislation. []

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Hart called attention to the Office of Communication's effort begun in January 1979 to reduce handwritten corrections on cables. He said excellent progress has been made to date, e.g., handwritten cable corrections of 60 percent have been reduced to 13 percent. Hart expressed the Office of Communication's appreciation for Agencywide support in this effort. Mr. Carlucci suggested this be reported in Notes from the Director. []

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[] said an RMS opportunity to see only the last five pages of the HAC budget markup reveals both expected and unexpected cuts by the HPSCI. Notably, he said the CIA Reserve level is likely to be held to []. In response to McMahon's particular concern re the Reserve level, Mr. Carlucci advised that we will simply have to go to the Hill again this year for a Supplemental to ensure Reserve sufficiency. [] said RMS' advance information is at the moment sketchy and has not yet been sorted out. [] added that the HAC has launched another S&I Team investigation of CTS and RMS, and that [] has already been cut from the '81 budget for contractual services. []

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